

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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CONCESSION IN FARES TO DISABLED
PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has extended concession in fares to the disabled in various trains;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the reasons for not extending this facility for travel by Jan Shatabdi?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL)

(a) and (b): Railways grant concession to four categories of disabled persons, viz. (i) Orthopaedically Handicapped/Paraplegic persons who cannot travel without an escort, (ii) completely Blind persons travelling alone or with an escort, (iii) Mentally Retarded persons who cannot travel without an escort are eligible for 75% concession in Second, Sleeper, First, AC Chair Car and AC 3-tier classes and 50% concession in AC 2-tier and AC First classes, and also one escort is eligible for same concession and (iv) totally Deaf and Dumb persons (both afflictions together in the same person) are eligible for 50% concession in Second, Sleeper & First classes. Concession is admissible in basic Mail/Express fares only and is granted on production of medical certificate in prescribed format.

(c): Jan Shatabdi Express trains are special group of trains.